मध्य प्रदेश, महाराष्ट्र, उड़ीसा, राजस्थान, तमिलनाडु उत्तर प्रदेश और पश्चिमी बंगाल राज्यों में सूखा प्रवण क्षेत्र कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वित कर रहा है। संबंधित राज्यों के साथ समीक्षा बैठकों के माध्यम से इस कार्यक्रम की नियमित रूप से मानिटरिंग की जाती है।

(ग) जानकारी एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा-पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

(घ) चूंकि सूखा प्रवण क्षेत्र कार्यक्रम एक राहत कार्यक्रम नहीं है इसलिए सहायता देने का प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

सेन्ट्रल पोल्ट्री ट्रेनिंग इन्स्टीट्यूट के लिए निधियों का आवंटन

1256. **श्री ओंकार सिंह लखावत:** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या छठी पंचवर्षीय योजना में सेन्ट्रल पोल्ट्री ट्रेनिंग इन्स्टीट्यूट के लिए "ड्रेसिंग प्लांट" आदि के निर्माण हेतु बजटीय आबंटन किया गया था; यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ख) क्या इस बजटीय आबंटन का उपयोग ऑडिटोरियम के लिए उपस्कर डेसिंग प्लांट आदि की खरीद हेतु किया गया; यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) नौवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना में पोल्ट्री विकास हेतु कितनी धनराशि का आबंटन किया गया है?

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सोमपाल): (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

(ग) 50 करोड़ रुपए।

Confiscation of Indian Trawlers

1257. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether some Indian trawlers have been confiscated by some foreign countries;

(b) If so, the number of trawlers confiscated during last three years and by which countries;

(c) whether all these trawlers have been registered as Indian trawlers;

(d) if so, how many of those trawlers and the crew members therein have been released, so far; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) to (c) As per available information, 73 Indian trawlers were confiscated during the last three years (1996—98) by neighbouring foreign countries. The country-wise details are given below:

Country	No. of Trawlers
Pakistan	35
Thailand	1
Bangladesh	8
Sri Lanka	29
Total	73

(d) and (e) Details of trawlers and crew released so far is as follows:—

Pakistan : 31 fishing vassels and 194 fishermen (out of 225).

Bangladesh : All the 8 trawlers are in custody. Crew released after serving short sentence.

Sri Lanka : Out of 29 trawlers seized, 10 trawlers salvaged and retrieved, 2 had sunk and 10 are beyond salvage. Presently 7 trawlers are in their custody. All crew released except seven fishermen who are still in custody for carrying contraband/illegal transportation of refugees.

Assurance on Paddy Price

1258. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister had recently given an assurance to the Andhra Pradesh farmers on paddy price;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) when would the support price by announced?

THE MINISTRY OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) and (b) No such assurance has been given by the Prime Minister to the Andhra Pradesh farmers on paddy price.

(c) The Minimum Support Price of Paddy has already been fixed by the Government at Rs. 440 per quintal for common and Rs. 470 per quintal for Grade 'A' variety for 1998-99 Kharif marketing year.

Steps for control of Animal Diseases

1259. SHRI A. VIJAYA RAGHAVAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what steps Government have taken for the control of animal diseases in the country, State-wise; and

(b) Central funds allotted for the States in this regard, State-wise, for the last three years, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) Control of animal diseases is a State Subject. However, Government of India is supplementing the efforts of the State and Union Territory Governments by providing financial assistance for control of some economically important animal diseases in the country through the following two Centrally Sponsored Schemes:

(i) Assistance to States for Control of Animal Diseases with the following three components:

(A) Systematic Control of Livestock Diseases of National Importance,

(B) Foot and Mouth Disease Control, and

(C) Animal Disease Surveillance.

(ii) National Project for Rinderpest Eradication.

(b) Central Funds provided to the States for control of animal diseases during last three years for the above mentioned Schemes are appended at Statement.

Statement

Central funds provided to the State and Union Territory Governments in repect of Control of Animal diseases during last three years:

(Rupees in Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of State/Union Territory	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
1.	Andhra Pradesh	07.06	68.87	64.58
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	11.25	12.50	18.69
3.	Assam	7.25	10.00	—
4.	Bihar	64.06	35.58	—
5.	Goa	13.75	6.68	19.75
6.	Gujarat	15.28	51.74	58.83
7.	Haryana	90.80	25.00	—
8.	Himachal Pradesh	30.92	29.25	18.26
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	71.80	28.00	24.98
10.	Karnataka	105.60	72.29	165.08
11.	Kerala	71.01	96.02	22.40
12.	Madhya Pradesh	13.50	—	123.64